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Pennsylvania Broilers

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Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Down 4 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending April 1, 2000, were 2,811,000, down 4 percent from the previous week but 1 percent more than the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were down less than 1 percent from one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 3,739,000, up 1 percent from the previous week but 1 percent less than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 1 percent above the comparable period last year.

Fifteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 15 selected States were 149,943,000, up 2 percent from the previous week and 3 percent more than the corres-

ponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 1 percent above one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 184,506,000, down less than 1 percent from the previous week but 1 percent more than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 1 percent above the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending May 27, 2000, will be 2,644,000, 3 percent less than a year earlier. The 15 States expected marketings should total 143,935,000, up 2 percent from the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

Period Covered	Pennsylvania			15 States				
	Number (000)	Percent		Number	Percent			
		Previous Week	Year Earlier	(000)	Previous Week	Year Earlier		
	Broilers Placed							
Past Week	2,811	96	101	149,943	102	103		
Past 9 Weeks	24,460	-	100	1,303,580	-	101		
		Eggs Set						
Past Week	3,739	101	99	184,506	100	101		
Past 3 Weeks	11,098	-	101	553,376	-	101		
		Expected Marketings						
Week Ending: May 27, 2000 .	2,644	-	97	143,935	-	102		

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending March 25, 2000, totaled 2,150,000 head with an average live weight of 4.98 pounds.

Broiler Eggs Set, 15 Selected States

State :	Week Ending						
	Feb 26 2000	: Mar 4 : 2000	: Mar 11 : 2000	: Mar 18 : 2000	: Mar 25 : 2000	: Apr 1 : 2000	
:	Thousand						
AL :	29,036	28,830	29,147	*28,417	*28,614	28,920	
AR :	30,009	30,063	*30,079	30,563	30,408	29,139	
DE :	4,545	4,458	4,386	4,317	*4,083	4,447	
FL :	2,844	2,836	2,765	2,893	2,717	2,892	
GA :	31,799	31,852	*32,117	31,162	*32,279	32,198	
MD :	8,586	8,966	8,583	9,101	*8,771	8,718	
MS :	17,958	17,793	18,299	18,269	18,481	18,496	
NC :	17,762	18,416	*18,391	18,096	17,901	18,192	
PA :	3,389	3,625	3,717	3,672	*3,687	3,739	
SC :	4,939	4,912	5,033	4,837	4,909	4,930	
TX :	14,435	14,603	14,412	14,437	14,444	14,464	
VA :	6,553	6,612	6,591	6,546	6,763	6,604	
CA, TN, & WV : :	11,518	11,215	11,282	12,038	11,465	11,767	
15 State Total:	183,373	184,181	*184,802	*184,348	*184,522	184,506	
Previous Year :	181,421	184,036	183,423	181,719	182,901	181,878	
Pct. of Prev. :	101	100	101	101	101	101	

^{*} Revised

Broiler Chicks Placed, 15 Selected States

: State : :	Week Ending						
	Feb 26 2000	: Mar 4 : 2000	: Mar 11 : 2000		: Mar 25 : 2000	: Apr 1 : 2000	
:		Thousand					
AL :	21,193	20,572	21,085	•	*20,970	•	
AR : DE :	23,384 4,202	24,043 4,819	23,484 5,641	25,284 4,886	24,188 *4,444	24,761 4,720	
FL :	2,282	2,232	2,425	2,540	2,544	2,486	
GA : MD :	24,691 6,092	24,033 5,694	23,375 4,842	24,572 6,327	*25,531 *6,891	25,886 5,858	
MS : NC :	,	14,704 13,134	*14,519 13,393	*15,241 13,906	*14,502 13,895	15,478 14,004	
PA :	2,724	2,574	2,689	2,432	*2,934	2,811	
SC :	3,903 11,144	3,773 10,659	4,777 11,227	4,125 11,406	4,416 11,576	3,956 11,413	
VA :	4,840	5,047	5,237	5,251	5,394	6,037	
CA, TN, & WV :	9,718	9,850	9,724	10,595	*10,081	10,748	
15 State Total:	141,374	141,134	*142,418	*147,850	*147,366	149,943	
Previous Year : :	142,736	144,008	146,463	146,092	146,241	146,244	
Pct. of Prev. :	99	98	97	101	101	103	

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